emphasis by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare about the need for such advertisements; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not accepting the advertisements of vital importance concerning AIDS by Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) Doordarshan received 3 spots on AIDs. All these spots have already been telecast on a number of occasions.

Guidelines for T.V. Serial Producers

3781. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government expects a spate of T.V. serials for telecast on the proposed 4 satellite channels;

(b) if so, whether any specific and new guidelines have been issued to the T.V. serial producers to observe while preparing their serials and if so, details thereof; and

(c) whether any reviewing committee has been constituted to seed that these T.V. serial couform to the guidelines issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The scheme for allotment of time slots on the satellite channels of Doordarshan is sub-judice.

दूरदर्शन और आकाशवाणी पर विश्व समाचार

3782. **श्री सुशील कुमार संभाजीराव शिन्दे**: क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार दूरदर्शन पर प्रतिदिन विश्व समाचार प्रसारित करने के संबंध में विचार कर रही है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) उक्त सेवा को कब तक आरंभ किए जाने की संभावना है;

(घ) क्या सरकार द्वारा दूरदर्शन के अलावा आकाशवाणी पर भी उक्त सेवा को उपलब्ध कराया जाएगा; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री के०पी० सिंह देव): (क) से (ग) दूरदर्शन 1 अगस्त, 1993 से प्रतिदिन प्रातः 8.25 बजे अपने सुबह के ट्रांसमीशन में 10 मिनट के एक वर्ल्ड न्यूज बुलेटिन का प्रसारण पहले से ही कर रहा है।

(घ) जी, नहीं।

(ङ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Dibrugarh Doordarshan Kendra

3783. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the date on which Dibrugarh Doordarshan Kendra (DDK) started functioning and what is the radius of the area being covered by it;

(b) whether it is a fact that reception of programmes telecast/relayed by DDK becomes poor/hazy beyond a redius of 30-35 kilometres due to the low height of its tower located at a place which is the descending path for civil air crafts heading towards Dibrugarh Airport; if so the remedial steps the Government propose in this regard;

(c) the details/names of programmes being produced at present by DDK on its own, if any;